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TRANSMITTAL OF PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Entry of the following amendment is requested prior to examination.

AMENDMENT

In the Claims

Please amend claim 8, 18, 26, 33, and 34 as follows:



8. (Amended) The method of claim 7, in which the modified set of dictionary images comprises rectangular images with a plurality of dimensions.



18. (Amended) The method of claim 17, in which the modified set of dictionary images comprises rectangular images with a plurality of dimensions.



26. (Amended) The method of claim 25, in which the modified set of dictionary images comprises rectangular images with a plurality of dimensions.

33. (Amended) The method of claim 30, in which the initial reference dictionary and extracted portions of the residual image comprise rectangular images.

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34. (Amended) The method of claim 33, in which the modified set of dictionary images comprises rectangular images with a plurality of dimensions.

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